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1. [ ] the Polish Charge d'Affaires in Tehran, Kazimierz Smiganowski, stated that Poland was interested in purchasing from Iran large quantities of the following ores:

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- a. Iron pyrites - Poland would purchase all available quantities of this ore that are at least 42 percent pure, with granulation not exceeding 14 millimeters.
- b. Iron ore - The ore must contain at least 60 percent pure iron with a maximum of 6.5 percent sulphur and a minimum of 0.05 percent phosphorous. In addition, such elements as lead, zinc, copper, chromium, and barium must be absent.
- c. Manganese - All available quantities will be purchased.

2. Smiganowski added that Poland does not wish to import any Iranian lead.<sup>1,2</sup>

25X1 [ ] Comment. On 10 June 1953, Soviet and Iranian representatives exchanged a new quota list for trade between Iran and the Soviet Union for the year ending 31 March 1954. Polish unwillingness to import Iranian lead may be a result of the Soviet Union's desire to increase lead imports from Iran as outlined in the new quota list. The Soviets wish to import 30,000 tons of lead ore from Iran in 1953 as against only 4,000 tons in 1952.

25X1 [ ] Comment. On the subject of the deteriorating relations between the Soviet and Israeli Governments and the rise in Jewish persecution in the Soviet Union and Satellite countries, Smiganowski stated that, under the new Soviet regime, there would be an improvement in this unhappy situation and many others like it.

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